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Re: Application of IPC Network Service, Incorporated for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Resold Local Exchange and Resold Long Distance Telecommunications Services and for Flexible Regulation of Its Local Exchange Services and Alternative Regulation of Its Long Distance Offerings
Docket No. 2006-55-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

IPC Network Service, Inc. ("IPC") requested in its Application filed February 9, 2006 that its financial statements be treated as confidential and kept under seal. The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") respectfully requests that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") deny IPC's request. Commission Order No. 2005-226 sets forth requirements for filing confidential information with the Commission, and a 1999 memo from Commission attorney David Butler provides further guidance by stating that such confidentiality requests should be made by motion. ORS opposes IPC's request because it was made without using proper Commission procedure, and because the request contains no justification for the confidential designation. For these reasons ORS respectfully requests that the Commission deny IPC's request to keep its financial statements confidential and under seal.

Sincerely,

Shannon Bowyer Hudson

cc: Thomas M. Lynch, Esquire